During the last four years *i.e.* 1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 the following cases of sabotage were reported:—

Year	No. of cases reported
1999-2000	27
2000-2001	22
2001-2002	14
2002-2003	24

(b) Yes, Sir.

(b) A proposal for amending the RPF Act and the Railways Act to empower the Railway Protection Force to a certain extent is under consideration, so that, in case of need, the RPF personnel could also play a role in providing security to the Railway passengers. RPF, after these amendmetns, will be able to give relief to the passengers and Railways form the common day-to-day minor offences, so the GRP can concentrate on serious offences.

Linking of Bhiwadi with other railways stations

2202. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to link Bhiwadi in Rajasthan with other railway stations of the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard indicating the budgetary allocation for the project; and

(c) by when the project is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c) A survey for construction of rail line between Bhiwadi-Rewari (27 km.) is in progress. Further consideration of the project would however, be feasible once the survey report become available.